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A GLANCE AT KORESHANITY.

KORESHAN UNIVERSOLOGY is a complete system of the Science of the great Universe of life; and it involves the knowledge of the Creator and his creation. The name by which it is designated, in contradistinction to perverted Christianity, is KORESHANITY; and the new Religion must supplant Christianity, as Christianity supplanted Judaism. Koreshanity has come to fulfil the hope of the world in the liberation of humanity from the curse, in the establishment of the Kingdom of God in earth, the introduction of the New Era of Light and Life, of universal harmony and happiness.

What does Koreshanity teach? We present a brief summary of the System—a few cardinal points, which will serve to suggest the great scope of the System in its completeness. It is the antithesis of all modern theories, of all schools of thought. It is the climax of all mental progress, the ultimate and absolute truth of Being and Existence; it is the revelation of all mystery, the uncovering of the occult; the true explanation of all phenomena, the scientific interpretation of Nature and the Bible.

COSMOLOGY.—The universe is a cell, a hollow globe, the physical body of which is the earth; the sun is at the center. We live on the inside of the cell; and the sun, moon, planets, and stars are all within the globe. The universe is eternal, a great battery, and perpetually renews itself through inherent functions, by virtue of which it involves and evolves itself.

ALCHEMY.—The Science of Alchemy is the Philosopher's Stone, the Key to the mystery of life. Chemistry is false; Alchemy is true! Matter and energy are interconvertible and interdependent; they are correlates; matter is destructible; the result of its transmutation is energy. Alchemy is the key to the analysis of the universe.

THEOLOGY.—God is personal and biune, with a trinity of specific attributes. God

in his perfection and power is the God-man or the man-God, the Seed of universal perpetuity. Jesus the Christ was God Almighty; the Holy Spirit was the product of his transmutation, or the burning of his body.

MESSIANIC LAW.—The coming of the Messiah is as inevitable as the reproduction of the seed. The divine Seed was sown nineteen hundred years ago; the firstfruit is another Messianic personality. The Messiah is now in the world, declaring the scientific Gospel.

REINCARNATION is the central law of life—the law of the resurrection; reincarnation and resurrection are identical. Resurrection is reached through a succession of re-embodiments. One generation passes into another; the millions of humanity march down the stream of time together.

THE SPIRITUAL WORLD.—Heaven and hell are in humanity, and constitute the spiritual world; the spiritual domain is mental, and is in the natural humanity,—not in the sky.

HUMAN DESTINY.—Origin and destiny are one and the same. The origin of man is God, and God is man's destiny. God is the highest product of the universe, the apex of humanity. Absorption into Nirvana is entrance into eternal life—in the interior spheres of humanity, not in the sky or atmosphere.

IMMORTALITY IN THE FLESH.—Koreshanity declares and defines the laws of immortality, and its attainment in the natural world. The first step is recognition of the Messiah and the application of his truth. KORESH was the first in modern times to announce the possibility of overcoming death in the natural world, in the flesh.

Celibacy.—The saving of human life consists in the conservation and appropriation of life in humanity. To become immortal, one must cease to propagate life on the plane of mortality. The standard of Koreshan purity is the virgin life of Jesus the Messiah. The Central Order of the Koreshan Unity is Celibate and Communistic. Celibacy obtains in the central nucleus, never in the world at large.

PSYCHOLOGY.—Koreshanity points to the basis of all psychic phenomena—the

human brain. It explains the phenomena of spiritism, mental healing, etc., and teaches the science of the relation of mind and matter.

THE BIBLE.—The Bible is the best written expression of the divine Mind; it is written in the language of universal symbolism, and must be scientifically interpreted. Koreshanity demonstrates the truth and scientific accuracy of the Scriptures, and proves its astronomy, alchemy, theology, ethnology, etc. There is no conflict between the Bible and genuine Science; the Bible and the natural universe must agree in their expression of the divine Mind.

COMMUNISM.—Koreshanity advocates communism, not only of the goods of life, but of life itself. It has not only the scientific theory of communism, but is practically communistic in the relations and affairs of its own people. In this it corresponds to the primitive Christian church, where all things were held in common. The bond of the true communism is the true religion, and the central personality of the divine communism is the Messiah.

KORESHAN SOCIALISM.—Our Social System is patterned after the form of the natural cosmos; that form is the natural expression of the laws of order. We demonstrate the fallacy of competition; advocate the destruction of the money-power; the control of the products of industry by the government, and the equitable distribution of the goods of life. Koreshanity will abolish wage slavery, and make it impossible for men to accumulate wealth and impoverish the people.

CHURCH AND STATE.—The true form of government is the divine Imperialism, the unity of church and state; such will be the Kingdom of God in earth. The Koreshan Government is the unity of the empire and the republic, involving the principles of all present forms of government, which are but fragments of the perfect system which existed in ancient times—in the Golden Age of the past. The government of the universe is imperialistic; and humanity will constitute a unit only when every class is emplaced at rest and liberty as are the strata, stars, and spheres of the physical cosmos.

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"And He placed at the East of the garden of Eden cherubim and a Flaming Sword, which turned every way to keep the Way of the Tree of Life."

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The Great Conflict of "Capital and Labor."

The Widening Breach Between the Classes; Mistakes of a Labor Agitator; the Impending Revolution and Coming Industrial Commonwealth.

THE NATIONAL CIVIC FEDERATION has opened its conference for the discussion of the question of arbitration, in the settlement of differences between "capital and labor." At the close of Chairman MacVeagh's opening address, we find this remarkable statement:

Wherever we look we find the evidences that there are no permanent or deep divisions in our citizenship, and that what lines of demarkation do exist are not growing more, but less, plainly defined. This conference is not therefore engaged exclusively in the alleviation of an immediate strain in the relation between capital and labor. It is in a still larger field than that. It is working for an immediate relief, but along lines that will bring the greater and final relief of a friendly, undivided, and homogeneous industrial commonwealth.

It is impossible for us to comprehend Mr. MacVeagh's meaning. There is no commonwealth that distinguishes between "labor and capital." Industry may be divided, on very general principles, into mental and physical activity; and upon the basis of their union in the fields of industrial pursuits, all capital or accumulation of wealth depends. There is no capital which is not the proximate or remote product of what is now called labor. There is no subject upon which the laboring men of the world require information, and on which they need instruction more than on the question of their rights concerning what they produce. It may do very well for a man in MacVeagh's position in the social and commercial world to talk of a homogeneous industrial commonwealth; but it

would be a difficult matter for him to define intelligibly to the man who sweeps his office, the homogeneity of their relations, and upon what basis he predicates his idea of an approaching social and financial equilibrium. It may be a fortunate circumstance for existing or coming generations, that the majority have the right to rule here in America, though at present that right is usurped through the public indifference and the administration of our commercial and financial pirates to own and control the world, including the industrial masses.

The divisions of our citizenship are growing deeper, the breach which divides what are falsely called *capital and labor* is broader, and the social demarkation between the rich and the poor augments with the progress of the world toward the final crisis of social, political, and commercial revolution. Arbitration will no more settle—either immediately or mediately—the differences between the contestants, than the peace conference at The Hague settled the question of international differences. We took the whole matter of that conference as a sure indication of a bloody sequel. To us it amounted to a prophetic declaration of the turmoil to follow; and the effort to solve the "capital and labor question" upon the basis of a soporific administered by the rich to the poor, will not allay the difficulty nor eradicate the disease.

There is no "strain between capital and labor;"

the strain is between capital and capital. It is between the capital which is in labor, and that which is produced by labor but appropriated through robbery. We are at the hour of which it is declared, they shall cry peace, peace, when there is no peace. There can be no peace in the soul struggling against fate ten or twelve hours a day, in the exhaustion of his physical and mental energies, under the merciless pressure of a robber employer. There is no peace in the soul of him who sees wife and little ones deprived of the necessaries, to say nothing of the comforts and luxuries, while under his constant observation are those who are enjoying the luxuries which the toil of his hand and mind have produced and provided, and who at the same time these differences in financial footing exist, say with consummate effrontery: "There are no permanent or deep divisions in our citizenship, and that what lines of demarkation do exist are not growing more, but less, plainly defined."

Does chairman MacVeagh of the Civic Federation Conference represent the class which is aiding to "bring the greater and final relief of a friendly, undivided, and homogeneous industrial commonwealth"? If so, will he please inform the public upon what grounds he expects to maintain the social and financial differences which now exist and are broadening every day, and which he helps to support, and at the same time develop that "homogeneous industrial commonwealth"?

There is no question about the coming of the industrial commonwealth; but it will not come until the revolution provides the way. There can be no doubt of the time to come when the industrious shall enjoy the fruits and products of their industry; but it will be when the industrial masses shall have grown to comprehend the law of rights, and through quiet and uniform conviction—moved by a supremely potent influence of love, not hate, which now actuates the soul of the men who smart and chafe under the galling supremacy of boasted capital—shall adjust all the utilities of life according to the laws of equitable relationship.

The industrial commonwealth will come through the creation of the divine Empire, after the revolution, and when the human soul shall have been revolutionized through a new awakening. It will come when the spirit of man shall have become the Spirit of God, and when those who are now rich will so love the neighbor as to place their riches in the treasury of the great Commonwealth. It will come when the communistic life planted in the beginning of the age shall have matured into the fruition of the kingdom of righteousness in the earth. It will come when the baptism of fire which the world awaits, shall have swept away the dross of the degenerate accumulations of a dispensation, and when God himself shall again make his abode in the outer courts of his Temple—the Arch-Natural humanity.

A Question for the Adventists.

WILL THE ADVENT organ, *The Last Days*, tell us when the Lord was eaten? The Lord has shown the law of the resurrection. The earth brings forth the blade, then the ear, and finally the full corn in the ear. The good seed are the children of the kingdom; the field is the world, and the harvest is the end of the world (the end of the age). According to the modern Christian belief, the Holy Ghost is God. According to the declaration of the *Scriptures*, the Holy Ghost (Spirit) is God. According to the *Scriptures*, the Word is God. Now the Holy Spirit was sown or planted in the race (church) as the Word of God; therefore the Word was sown or planted, therefore God was planted. The Son of God was God—so the church claims; the Son of God is the fulness of the Godhead bodily, therefore the Holy Spirit was in him; the Holy Spirit was he.

"Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" (at the end of the dispensation). What fool of

an Adventist, who pretends to believe in the Bible and the declarations of the Lord Jesus, the Son and Christ of God, will assume to deny that the Lord was eaten [appropriated], as he declared he would be? The Lord's flesh and blood were appropriated by the church in the reception of the Holy Spirit, which was the Lord himself. Thus the Lord was planted in the race, and from that planting—in the process of regeneration (reproduction)—he will come again just as he declared he would.

The so called Advent church has set the time for the Lord to come, about fifty times in the last sixty years. These prophecies of the Lord's coming are false predictions made by false prophets. We do not know of better evidence of a false prophet, than the nonfulfilment of his repeated predictions. We say again that Mr. Miller did not state the manner of the Lord's coming, but his arrival in 1839. He told the truth; he uttered the midnight cry, and was the truest of all Advent prophets.

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The Lord Christ was sacrificed that his life should descend into humanity, that by it man's corrupt

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nature should be transformed to the incorruptible immortal quality of the life of the Lord.

Troubles of the Subsidized Press.

Newspapers which Clamored for Continued Republican Policies Complain of Prodigal Extravagance and Unbridled Debauchery in Public Funds.

THE REPUBLICAN Chicago dailies, after warring to the knife for the continuation of a republican administration, are groaning over the results of their previous frantic efforts. The single standard, the avenues of commerce, ship subsidies, and the enslavement of the masses are all involved in the influence of the money power upon the Congress of the United States. Mark Hanna is the head of the republican party. He loves the people in proportion to their influence at the polls. He will exert his influence in the direction of controlling the wealth of the world for the millionaires; he lives for nothing else, and nothing more nor less can be expected of him. What is the bagatelle of \$9,000,000 a year, and why should the great millionaire dailies make a fuss over what they have labored so assiduously to accomplish? A ship subsidy of \$9,000,000 a year makes no draft upon the money powers of the world. It is merely an additional link in the chain of that human bondage and destiny which reduces the great mass of the people to abject slavery. The people have shown that they wish the money of the world to be reduced to its smallest possible dimensions; that they desire this money power to remain in the hands of the bloated bondholders. The people have endorsed the trust, and whatsoever the trust may perform during the next four years.

"The subsidy bill," says the Chicago *Record*, "hints very strongly of a determination on the part of the republican leaders to abuse their power to the end of inaugurating a period of prodigal extravagance and unbridled debauchery in public funds: [The *Record* ought never to talk that way, after the benefits derived from the hundred million dollars' New York City tax:]

it is time for the leaders of the party to stop short in their progress and consider soberly how the party will stand before the nation if it thus abuses the trust which the people have reposed in it." Has any one ever doubted the purpose of the leader of the republican party to compel the people to augment the accumulation of the millions through which that party perpetuates its power? Can there be a question that the people are to be enslaved in the greatest bond-age ever instituted in the history of this or any other nation?

The republican party has demonstrated the fact that it prefers to make money of gold, which has no monetary value except by virtue of the stamp of endorsement, and to place this watered stock in the power of the bankers of the world, thus depriving the people of the right to create money which may remain in their own hands. It has favored the great commercial robbers in the past; why should we expect that the party which has endorsed the gigantic steals of the past forty years, should become suddenly honest after this last enthusiastic endorsement? In the next four years some lessons will have been learned. The gold power will have had an opportunity to demonstrate its character, and Wall street will have dictated its terms to the asses who have sacrificed their liberties.

We are not complaining. We have advertised a crash to be brought about through the exaltation of the gold power to pre-eminence in the world, and we have the satisfaction of knowing that as the new dispensation is to be ushered in through revolution; and as that revolution is the battle of Gog and Magog; and as Gog is the money power, that the limit is reached in which the prophecy of the destruction of the old church and state is to be fulfilled.

The Femininity of Deity.

IN *The Life*, of November 28, 1900, we read: "The 'divine feminine' is no better than the divine masculine, if there are such distinctions in the Godhead; and there are more men who have more of the divine feminine in their make up than many women. Let us be done with sexing God. There is no distinction of sex in virtue or principle." All of which goes to show that the author of the statement is entirely ignorant of the subject in question. If God is not biune in sex, he is not the author of sex in Nature. The Bible expressly declares the bisexuality of Deity, and virtue is sexed. Wisdom is feminine, as language in its very nature determines; while love is masculine, as determined by the same law. Electricity, even, is bisexual. One current—electricity

flows by inverse currents—forms a sheath, it being feminine; the other forms a point or apex (masculine), and flows interiorly to the sheath. It does not follow, however, that either one is better than the other.

"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready." The Lamb of God is God the Lord. John said: "He that hath the Bride [in him] is the bridegroom." This is not a figure of speech. It sets forth the facts as they obtain in the character of Deity. God made man after his image and likeness; he made him male and female, like himself; hence it will not be wise to ignore or contradict facts and principles. It is better to know the truth, even though it may upset preconceived opinions.

The Great Divide Between the Ages.

The Wonders of a Hundred Years; Progress of the Old Century, and the Possibilities of the New; the Dawn of Empire and Universal Peace.

PROF. U. G. MORROW.

GREAT EPOCHS mark the periods of human history; with the rolling of the centuries, humanity passes from generation to generation along lines where great forces are at work, where events of stupendous import occur. There are central lines of progress of peoples and nations, through which flows the great stream of life which moves the world; it is the hidden power of Deity, the undercurrents of progress, the threads of destiny. The science of history reveals the fact that events of world-wide interest express forces which are making for a common great climax; that war and revolution, which indicate that the great Cause is continuing the struggle for the mastery, are factors of progress; and that the rise and fall of nations are but the rhythmic flow and ebb of the tides on the sea of humanity. There are reasons why there is no monotony in the universe; there could be no progress without change, and change makes the events of centuries, eras, and ages.

It is a great thing to stand between the centuries; to look back over the past; to look forward and contemplate the future. The most wonderful century of all history has receded into the past; the time has elapsed, but that which the century developed and expressed is here, ready to achieve still greater things. Go back a hundred years, when the great cities of America were but towns and villages; when there were no railroads nor steamships; no telegraphs nor telephones; no electric lights nor appliances; when great inventions were few, and when the people did not dream of the great possibilities of the nineteenth century. Compare the world a century ago with the world of the present, with its accelerating forces, its marvels, and achievements; and see progress unparalleled, and the swift march of things to a great climax.

The world has been startled at the rapid growth of the American nation. Nothing in history is of greater import to humanity than the ascendancy of the West. Europe belongs to the period of medievalism; the continental powers of today are but remnants of that which has been—fragments of the Latin empire which centered about the Eternal City. America is the land of destiny; during the past century the United States has risen from the state of mere freed colonies to a gigantic world-power. It began with thirteen states along the Atlantic coast, but in 1900 it counts forty-five states, and a number of territories and colonies; the eagle has grown, and the shadow of his wings covers half the globe!

The nineteenth century is not the century of Washington, for he passed away at the close of 1799; but it is the century of the development of his country. Wash-

ington as a centenary city is equal to many European capitals which have stood for 500 years; and New York's 200 years rival London's 1,000. At the beginning of the century there was no Chicago; where now there is a city of 2,000,000 inhabitants, there was then but an impassable swamp by the Lake shore. We have passed through a period of great things, a century of marvels. It is the century of Napoleon and of Lincoln—the century which will stand out conspicuously in the background of views of the past from the standpoint of the new world, because the century is marked by the coming of KORESH, the great anthropositic Sun, who put on the robes of authority when the temporal power of papacy was destroyed in 1870. It was the time of the founding of the great Koreshan System, through which the world passes from the last century of darkness to the first century of the age of Light.

The facts of the development of the world during the nineteenth century are sufficient to show that the Koreshan picture of the world's future is not an idle dream. Let the progress of the world continue at its present ratio, and what marvels will be manifest before the close of the twentieth century! KORESH plans the greatest maritime city of the world, with its golden domes and glittering temples; with its perfect system of order, and with its millions of inhabitants and institutions for the development and blessing of humanity. Chicago, in a haphazard way, has developed in fifty years; but its development is but a shadow of the growth and glory of the New Jerusalem. The site of the CITY OF KORESH was selected in January, 1894, and the center of the great Temple located; but before the end of the new century, the nations will point to the Capitol of the world in recognition of the purpose and the power of its Founder!

It is a great thing to stand between the centuries; it is a greater thing to stand on the great divide between the ages! The great forces which have impelled peoples and made history are focalizing in a climax. We have reached the end of the old dispensation of Christianity, because the life of the age becomes involved in its seed; we are nearing the culmination. A new volume of history is beginning, written by a new Hand upon the scroll of human evolution; the Messiah has come again to sit in judgment over church and state, to destroy the old, to build the new. The Koreshan dispensation is at hand—it is just beyond the world's greatest revolution, the revolution which the new century brings, there volution which veils the glories of universal peace, of the coming Empire, which will center about the Eternal City of the Golden Age!



The Emancipation of Woman.

Woman's Degradation Under the Curse; the Desecration of Sacred Functions; Her Restoration to Purity and Power by Koreshanity.

BERTHALDINE, MATRONA.

AN EXCHANGE of THE FLAMING SWORD, bearing the name *Lucifer, the Light-Bearer*, has seen fit to communicate to its readers some facts and some opinions relating to the science of Koreshanity and its Founder. Koreshan Universology is being published to the world for its enlightenment, and for the salvation of all who will apply the truth it teaches to life. Universology means what the name implies, that is, the science of the universe; and it includes all there is of science. By it the universe is revealed to be such a systematically organized structure, that a part of it cannot be thoroughly known without a thorough knowledge of the whole. A knowledge of the whole necessitates the knowledge of its form and functions, origin and destiny. For believing that KORESH, the Founder of Koreshan Universology, possesses this knowledge, Koreshans are prepared to give to the world adequate reasons. Intellectual humanity is supposed to be investigative to the end that sometime, somewhere within the universe, some one shall come into possession of the knowledge of the ultimates of truth concerning it, and that such knowledge once possessed will have a use commensurate with all that it involves, and that it can be applied for the reproduction of the ultimates of that Life which is Life indeed—Life that is as Almighty as its inherent Divinity, the known and beloved truth.

We once had the pleasure of presenting to a woman of accredited intellectuality, the premise and general outline of the Koreshan System. She listened to the presentation with a mixture of amazement and intellectual delight; then as she realized what the reception of the science would mean to one accepting it as the prime resource of life, she said: "The concepts of the system are most rational, the premise seems irrefutable, and the deductions logical; but if one should accept such a system as you have presented as *the truth*, one would have to be tied to its Originator, and for that I am not ready. I want my freedom." In other words, she would be one ever learning and never coming to the knowledge of the truth; forgetting that whom the truth makes free is free indeed—free to enjoy the liberties of the Sons of God, and to be thoroughly furnished unto all good works. Freedom is not license to entangle oneself in the meshes of occult mysteries, nor to be absorbed by the delusions of false lights which lead to disaster and destruction. Hence to give men freedom from the prisons of the realms of darkness created by ignorance, Truth—the Almighty, voices the science of herself through anointed prophets,—the dispensational Messiahs, who become eyes for the blind, and Shepherds for the lost sheep. These Messengers of conjunction with the Deity of truth in her progressive involutions, are they through whom the Word of God is communicated, and each universal dispensational order vitalized for the reproduction of its kind.

It is consistent for the opponents of the divine authority given by the anointing of the spirit of truth, to be wise in their own conceit, which, being unfounded upon anything which demonstrates their superiority and established rights to be teachers of men, prepares them for their covering of shame and confusion when the Book of Life shall be opened, to reveal their names omitted by its inrolled wisdom, because they loved darkness rather than light. Divine justice is so operative in the functions of eternal law or love, that the emplacement of men and things in the ultimates of divine order is just where they place themselves by their attainments in the order of law. *Lucifer* sees in the reverent attitude of mind, described as befitting the true Koreshan, in relation to their Prophet, an indication that the subordination of woman to man is inculcated by Koreshanity. He must lack reliable information concerning the teachings of Koreshanity in regard to woman and her relation to man.

The professed disciples of KORESH are about equally divided as to sex, and are united in the belief that reverence for their Prophet is a quality of mind that gives moral exaltation to the character and grace to the manner of each, proportionate to the attainment of it. This reverence is awakened by the intellectual perception of the fact that the divine truth or Word of God is in conjunction with the mind of the Messenger, and is to be spoken by his mouth, that he may become the Savior of men assembled in the Name of him whose Truth and Life constitute their bond of unity. The inculcation of reverence for the Prophet or Eye of God, who perceives and teaches the ultimates of truth, leads our critic to promise the public an article on "The Subordination of Woman to Man," inculcated by Koreshanity. Koreshan women desire that he shall communicate to his readers only the genuine instructions of Koreshanity, embodied in our doctrines and in the Constitution of our social orders. We will presume he aspires to be just; therefore, let him reiterate our declaration, that it is the high and holy prerogative of the disciples of KORESH to herald to a wicked and adulterous generation—by which woman is made the legitimate slave of man, and man the slave of his own lusts—the Advent of a Man, now the subordinate of a divine spiritual woman,—the Church Triumphant in the heavens,—who, in deference to her profound constructive potencies, is destined to restore to him the image and likeness of the Son of God, and to crown and clothe him with her glory and honor.

This woman's name is Wisdom in the realm of celestial being, Faith in the realm of the spiritual, and Truth in that of the natural; and Her science is the supreme need of the hour. Possessing it, the Man being heralded by Koreshanity, recognizing the divine femininity of the biune origin of all things to be their

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constructive potency, signs himself in her presence, "the Servant of the Most High," with a reverence equally becoming in his following. Furthermore, Koreshans are pleased to declare that this "Servant of the Most High" is pre-eminently worthy the reverence of all women, fallen as they are from the divine femininity, in that he has given to the world the science of their being as women, and of their origin and destiny in Deity, to the end that they may regain the image and likeness of the divine Motherhood. To effect this grand ultimate of woman's destiny, a social order has been instituted, representative of the united functions of church and state, in which the political and ecclesiastical rights of men and women are equal, and of which the Pre-eminent executive head is permanently feminine during the long cycle of the matriculation of the Sons of God.

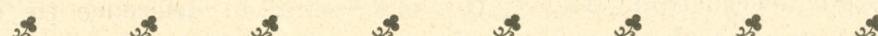
Every Koreshan woman is granted by the constitution of the Koreshan Unity, the right to her own body; and no sex unions are by it legitimatized, save for the God-ordained purpose of the propagation of the species, in obedience to the laws of perfecting the animal life of God. Lust for woman is demonstrated by Koreshanity to be criminal; and in sex commerce is that quality of the love of money denominated "the root of all evil." The function of motherhood is declared to be too sacred ever to be sacrificed for the satisfaction of lust. Furthermore, Koreshan women receiving the science of their divine origin, are by it led to return to it by the science of the potency of the conservation of all their constructive energies to that end; and are also led to retire from the old social orders to the new order of the Church Triumphant, that they may—in the sphere of its chastity—do works meet for repentance, and become characterized by that Godliness of moral purity profitable to themselves and the world awaiting salvation from sin. Thus do they furnish to the truth now radiating from its Messenger, a psychic potency by which he can reorganize a world in the order of the divine Kingdom to be established in earth. There have been no women in any age, since the decline of the prehistoric Golden Age, called to a mission so high and so holy as that to which Koreshan women are now called. It is a mission which involves the severing of all mortal ties, that by an immortal unity this world may be made to know, and be born again of its Father-Mother Deity.

The holy Seed of the Koreshan order once enunciated these statements: "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that

loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. * * And he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." The sacrifice of mortal life with all of its familiar loves, is demanded by the eternal laws of immortality and eternal life. These laws are being restored to their legitimate abiding place—the human heart of the great temple of humanity to be purified and glorified by their application; they are to be written upon the hearts of men by the pen of the Flaming Sword—the theocrasis of God's one true Prophet—now defying the priests of Baal. Then will men and women keep the law; they will live as the Christ lived nineteen hundred years ago, who will live again with the Brotherhood of the order of Melchizedek, whose Holy of Holies will be the divine Motherhood of their Godhood—true women restored to the image and likeness of their divine origin.

The day is not distant when not alone a little group of disciples, scorned by a surrounding social order too ignorant and corrupt to esteem them, but when millions of God-redeemed followers will recognize the Hero of Koreshanity, whose science called them out of darkness into its marvelous light, to become to a new world true Lucifers, or light-bearers, bearing the light of the Son of the morning, the Morning Star of God's reformation in the image and likeness of that Son of man who was the Son of God. Koreshanity is the divinely appointed emancipator of both man and woman from the potencies of the three curses under which they exist, suffering the ultimates of the three concomitant woes—the curse upon the man, the activities of which we see in the woes of the degraded industrial orders; the curse upon the woman, visible in her prolific offspring, bred for sin, sickness, and death; and the curse upon the serpent, symbol of commercial wisdom, manifest in the vices of ignorance of the laws of each domain of commerce.

When our critic can project for the world's enlightenment a scientific system of organic unity, built upon the rock of a demonstrated premise, eternal in its nature, and can offer to woman a loftier destiny than that of the Motherhood of the divine life of that system to be expressed by the living temple of God's humanity, Koreshan women may turn aside to do him reverence, and, as on the morn of her Lord's resurrection, be first to discover and first to say "Rabboni," first to voice the glad tidings to a waiting world, that the Christ has risen indeed!



When the Holy Spirit was shed upon the church, its influence actuated all who received it, to sell their individual possessions and bring the price of what they sold to the common treasury. The day had not then arrived for the establishment of an orderly kingdom of uses, or such an industrial system as to insure per-

manency of equitable adjustment in the uses and commodities of life. The time is now ripe, however, for the initiation of such a movement; a nucleus is already established which shall, in future generations, be looked to as the beginning of the fulfilment of all human hopes, and the basis for the consummation of human destiny.

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

CHRISTMAS is the great day of Christendom, because it is the anniversary of the birth of the Founder of the primitive Christian system. The day on which the Christ was born marks the beginning of a new era, a new dispensation of progress; and today, the entire civilized world dates its coins, legal documents, and publications, 1900 years since the coming of the Messiah. The evidences that Jesus lived are many, and are too palpable to be successfully denied. The great effects we observe in civilization bear the stamp of a powerful Cause. A myth could not perpetuate its memory for an age; only the Man with noble character, with the spirit of self sacrifice and of brotherhood, and with the scepter of power in his hand, can rule the world supremely above the combined power of the kings and emperors of the age! There is no such thing in history where a stupendous fraud foisted upon the people ever stood the test of a dispensation. That which began the Christian dispensation was a *power*; Jesus was a Man, not a myth. His name has come down to us; the day on which he was born is still celebrated; the history of his work is written in the volumes of the Christian Scriptures; Pliny plead for the disciples of the Christ in Rome, and Tacitus mentions the sect and the persecutions which they endured; the church which Jesus founded, though now in apostasy, is still standing as a tangible evidence of the existence of its Founder. Critics may deny that Jesus was a man; but there are the facts, the evidences that he lived—facts as palpable and indisputable as that Napoleon, Washington, Cromwell, Alexander the Great, Homer, and Cicero lived and made history. The facts prove that Jesus not only lived, but that he was a man of extraordinary character, that he was martyred, and that he lived again to impulse the minds of his following. There is Buddhism in the world today, because there was a Buddha centuries ago; Mohammedanism points to the fact that the man, Mohammed the prophet, lived and taught the Arabs; and there is Christianity today, because there was a Christ in Palestine, in Jerusalem. The tragedy of the Messiah culminated in the destruction of the Jewish capital and nation, the facts of which no historian has ever attempted to deny. The evidences of the existence of the Christ are sufficient to teach the Christian as well as the skeptic, many lessons; from them the agnostic may learn that the Man lived, and from them the Christian may learn that that Man, though born of a woman, was the Almighty Jehovah! It seems to us strange that after an age of familiarity with the facts of the conception, birth, development, ministry, martyrdom, and resurrection of the Messiah, that the Christian church should fail to comprehend the greater Messianic law—the law of the periodic manifestation of Deity in humanity. There are the facts as plain as day: The God man was born from the human race; he was the resurrection from the mortal world; the reincarnation of the dead; the Seed of human salvation; the fulness of the Godhead bodily—and these facts, if they mean anything at all, mean that in the Lord's coming again he will appear as a *Man among men*, the tangible Messiah, the Messenger of Truth, the Conqueror of death, the Savior of the world!

Every person conversant with theosophy knows that its theory of cosmogony or creation is allied with the modern conception of astronomy. The theosophist endeavors to demonstrate his conclusions by the expressed opinions of men engaged in promulgating the vagaries of nineteenth century science. But for the popular idea of astronomy, who would

think of conceiving that the universe is infinite; that God fills all space, and that the progress of life is from planet to planet? Karma is to theosophy what gravitation is to the Newtonian system of astronomy; it is a name which is applied to all things mysterious. The astral light of theosophy corresponds to the astronomer's luminiferous ether; and according to both theosophy and astronomy, the universe is illimitable, its origin a mystery, and its destiny beyond the grasp of man. All systems that take for their bases any department of modern fallacious science, must necessarily fall when the premise is overthrown. How little would remain of theosophy and associated fallacies, if the popular system of astronomy were instantly destroyed! Madame Blavatsky trembled because of the insecurity of the "scientific" foundation of the occult system which she presumed to originate. "And the system of those two princes of science [Copernicus and Galileo]—a system which has revolutionized the whole world—how long will it be allowed to remain as a complete and undisturbed whole? Is it so that even three centuries and a half have not sufficed the men of exact science to construct one theory that not a single university professor would dare to challenge? And these quarreling hypothesists still arraign as ignorant and superstitious those giant intellects of the past, who handled natural forces like world-building Titans, and raised mortality to an eminence where it allied itself with the gods! Strange fate of a century boasting to have elevated exact science to its apex of fame, and now invited to go back and begin its ABC of learning again!" It is even so; and with the scientists, who are agnostics, must go also those who have been nourished by their pabulum of fallacy!

Prof. Goldwin Smith, in viewing the relation and progress of science and religion, concludes that Christianity is already far advanced in the processes of decay and ultimate extinction. He believes that scientific and destructive criticisms have made every dogma of Christianity untenable—even that of the personal Deity. It does not require the sharpest intellect to perceive that the church is failing, nor that modern science is not in harmony with the idea of the personal Deity; but we should judge that it would require a shrewder mind than that of Prof. Smith, to show how modern science *demonstrates* that the idea of the personal God is untenable. Let us see what estimate he places upon science itself: "Towards what bourne, then, is thought, critical and scientific, apparently tending? It is apparently tending to the belief, from which our inmost nature recoils, in a universe without guidance or plan, the relation of man to which can never be known"! Again, "In the universe revealed by science, blind chance, in the form of evolution, rather than any determining authority, seems to reign." Of course this is all very consoling to the truthseeker; it is the voice of the agnostic, who knows that so called science is a mass of uncertain and unproven hypotheses! The possibility of the solution of the great problems of the universe is evident from the fact that the hope of solution is instinctive in the human heart—so much that the Professor himself admits that *our inmost nature recoils* against the conclusions of agnosticism! Let the world flounder in the meshes of modern "scientific" delusions until it is willing to exchange the uncertainties of fallible fallacies for the certainties of the infallible Truth of Koreshan Science, which demonstrates the personality and humanity of Deity.

The Flaming Sword.

supply the soldiers with intoxicants. It is a Government saloon, which follows the army wherever it goes; it is in the fort, in the field, in the camp, and in the line of march. It is to the soldier what the saloon is to men, young and old, at home; it debauches the man, destroys brain power, and deadens the moral sense. The House of Representatives opposes the canteen, and in a bill relating to the reorganization of the army, the House inserted an anti-canteen clause, looking to the abolition of this curse. The canteen is sustained by the Government, and its officials favor the institution. The secretary of war is spending hours before the Senate committee on military affairs, urging its members to vote for the retention of the canteen, holding that the "canteen or post exchange is an important factor in army life, from a social point of view." It is not very surprising that government representatives should oppose the House bill; the whiskey trust is sufficiently powerful to organize an effective lobby for the purpose of urging legislation in its favor. However, it is surprising to some minds that representatives of the greatest sects of Christendom should appear before the Senate committee on the same mission as that of the secretary of war! Archbishop Ireland and Bishop McGoldrick have made vigorous claims at Washington, concerning the great and lasting good that is being done by the canteen—that "it is in the interest of sobriety and good morals in the army." The church and the state join hands in the canteen curse; the government supplies the liquid fire, and the church furnishes the men to drink it, while the new century begins—and war continues!

Ruskin said that "Labor without art is brutality." There is plenty of both labor and brutality in the modern civilized world; labor, because performance of use is a drudgery under the competitive system; brutality, because it is in the head and heart of the human kind. One has only to become cognizant of the facts of human depravity, to reach the conclusion that not only strains of savage blood course the veins of the civilized, but that the blood of the modern world is the blood of barbarism! The following demonstrate the character of civilization as it obtains at the beginning of the twentieth century: The unhappiness of the modern home; the demand for satisfaction of appetites and gratification of passions; the deaths and injuries resulting from college games; lack of refinement and general brutal disregard of the welfare of the neighbor; general dissipation and debauch; grinding monopolies and strike riots; robbery—both public and private; general dishonesty and hypocrisy; the world-wide business of making drunkards and criminals; the superstitions of Christendom; and the warfare of Christian nations. It would be doing the peoples of China and India a gross injustice to say that we found these evidences of barbarity within their borders—we find them rather, in the circle of the so called enlightened civilization of Europe and America!

Dr. Peebles reviews the hope of the Adventists, grows enthusiastic over the fact that the Lord is coming again, and suggests that if the Lord should come in the common atmosphere with a retinue of angels in the clouds, he would be as much of a stranger in appearance as Plato, Socrates, or Alfred the Great; and suggests further, that he should be very much rejoiced to see Jesus come again in the flesh. The question of recognition of the Christ is one of great moment; the Messiah comes, and thousands do not know him. The Jewish church was still looking for another, while the One was present; and that One suffered martyrdom at the hands of those whom the priests blessed and the prophets taught. The credentials of the Messiah are the marks of authority which come with him; they

are not what the people have feigned to make for him—not what they have dreamed that he has. Look for a *modern* Man—one who has come down through the age with the human stream, taking on the world's corruptions while being fitted to redeem humanity from its evils. Koreshanity proclaims the fact of the presence of the Messiah, the God of truth, the Lord of wisdom!

Ian Maclaren (Rev. John Watson), a representative orthodox clergyman, says: "One fears that the blight of the commonplace is settling upon the church, which ought to be an overflowing fountain of enthusiasm and the home of spiritual romance." This is putting a startling fact concerning the collapse of the church in too mild a form; it is the expression of one not awake to the fact that the church craft nears the terrible Niagara; it is now in the rapids, where the rifting rocks tear barks asunder in the inevitable drift. The wide-awake know that the consequences of an age of apostasy are settling upon the church which, instead of being a mere shell, a corpse, should be a body teeming with life! The church has lost its power and its purity; it has perverted its spirit and desecrated its temples. Its condition is corrupt, and its relations competitive; it is broken down, and crumbling to pieces; and with it, the old state passes away to give place to the institutions of the new order.

Darwin wrote of the "Descent of Man." That man has fallen from the altitude of perfection is obvious—the fact that degeneracy prevails is proof that man has been, and is susceptible of being, regenerated. Darwin endeavored to do one of two things: To lower man to the level of the baboon, or to elevate the baboon to the plane of humanity—at least he brought the planes so nearly together that only a "missing link" is necessary to complete his chain of evolution. It appears that the border line between the animal and human kingdoms has been obliterated at Grenoble, France, where the whole town population recently attended the funeral of a chimpanzee, and erected a bronze statue in honor of the animal!

The highest conception that the immortality faddists have of immortality, is the mere continued existence of the mortal, dual state. A corpuscle in the plant is vidual, divided; we may isolate it, and preserve it indefinitely, but it would still be vidual—mortal. The attainment of that degree of immortality which obtains in the plant is in reaching the seed, the state of biunity—male and female in one form. To put on immortality is to experience a radical anatomical transformation, the processes of birth into a new natural kingdom, of the character of which modern theorists have no conception.

Maurice Maeterlinck, a Belgian author and philosopher, says that "an absolutely just man can hardly be found under the present system; if there were such a man he would certainly be in danger of being taken for a crank and of being treated as such." There now! that explains why Jesus was persecuted, and why the Founder of Koreshanity is vilified by the modern pulpit and press. All the people are not all right on all questions all the time; but they can always agree upon who is the *good* man, because they unanimously treat him as the devil!

If it is impossible for man to know God and his universe of creation, it is equally impossible for God to reveal himself and the knowledge of his creation to man. We hold that that which man is incapable of comprehending, that which is not susceptible of being revealed, does not exist. God and his universe are limited and knowable; his manifestations are finite and tangible; and his truth is definite and comprehensible. It

is possible for man to know all that God knows, else no man can become the offspring of Deity and of the universe.

"The church moves forward to the scenes of the twentieth century." That is nothing; the criminal moves forward to the scenes of the scaffold. The Jewish church moved briskly into the first century of the Christian era—moved to its doom! The Christian church enters the twentieth century with all its corruptions; it enters the judgment. The church was safer on the eighteen side of the century mark; the pivotal year of 1900 brings accelerated motion and hastens the consummation.

There is no equality in the world: none in riches nor in poverty; none in intellectual strength and moral worth; none in rewards and punishments; none in rights and wrongs of man. The idea of equality is a democratic dream never to be fulfilled, because equality is impossible—there are no two thoughts, no two brain cells, no two men, no two stars, exactly alike and equal in every particular.

The newspapers announce that Prof. Chamberlain, of the University of Chicago, has published a "working hypothesis" concerning the sun's motion in space, for the purpose of accounting for prehistoric glaciers. Men who are not able to perform rational mental work, always resort to hypotheses to do the work for them—hence, the kind of rubbish which fills the text-books!

If it were true that "life is that intelligent essence of divinity diffused throughout all space, and infused in everything both animate and inanimate," life would certainly be the same wherever manifest; from which it would follow that Darwin was as rational as a baboon, and the clergyman as wise as a vulture!

Koreshanity does not hope to succeed by mere agitation of the masses; it will develop from a specific Head and radical nucleus at an accelerated ratio of progress, until it sweeps every evil from the face of the earth! The coming kingdom is the great monopoly of righteousness, the gigantic trust of the Gods.

People talk of the closing of the century, and yet imagine that time moves in straight lines. The century closes when its circle of a hundred years is completed; an age closes when the

cycle rounds out the perfect cell. Even the hours are circles—especially on the clock face!

If modern science were true—that is, if it were knowledge, there would be no agnostics; the fact that there are hundreds of thousands of avowed agnostics in the world today, constitutes a startling evidence that modern hypotheses have never been proven to be true!

The American flag represents the rulers and the ruled; the stars are worn in the crowns of the money kings, while the stripes are borne on the backs of the money slaves!

Blackstone is authority on law at the close of the dark ages; but the light of the law of the new era will proceed from the White Stone of Koreshanity.

The Administration touched upon the question of subsidizing American ships; and it is now waiting for the storm of opposition to subside!

Contestants at the beginning of the battle of life and death, two may be; but at the end of the conflict one is Victor, and the other vanquished.

The clergyman points to things which he cannot understand to prove that God is incomprehensible!

The direction of God's walk in humanity is indicated by the steps of universal progress.

Men who are full of themselves have no room for broad conceptions of the universe of life.

No man who understands a single fact thoroughly can possibly be an agnostic.

The Chicago labor conference: The mountain labored and brought forth—rats!

When the Ancient of Days comes, the world grows young again.

Persons who pose for artists are not always model characters.

Christmas is afflicted with old age.

Truth is divined by man refined.

Editorial Discussions and Miscellany.

THE EDITOR.

How Koreshanity will Convert the World.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—After a year's perusal of THE FLAMING SWORD I am not, by any means, fully convinced that all claims and theories of KORESH are absolutely correct. I am willing to admit that this may be because I have not sense enough to thoroughly understand his doctrines; one needs to have a good education in the various sciences to intelligently follow and comprehend his writings. About the only thing that causes me to think that the Koreshan System may be correct, is the mechanical proof you give of the earth's form. I can find no loop-hole of escape from it. I am not prejudiced in the least, and would gladly believe the entire System if I could; and no doubt there are others who feel the same way.

It puzzles me to know how KOESH intends to get all this motley array of humanity—as varied in action, thought, and desire as is the movement of colors in the kaleidoscope—to unite in harmony on his System, and, greater still, how he expects to get them to live up to its teachings. It seems to me like putting all the beasts of the world into one pen and expecting them to be friends. There are millions of people today who have never heard of the Christ and the religion he founded, and it is now 1900 years old. How, then, does KOESH expect to convert the world in a generation or two? He has so far claimed that Koreshanity is to supplant Christianity; but what about Mohammedanism and Buddhism and the other great religions? Unless they fall also, and the members become Koreshans in thought and action,

where does the brotherhood of mankind come in?

There have not been many converts made for the length of time that KOESH has been expounding his System. This may be partly because it goes too much against the grain of modern thought, and partly because the learned articles on paper are not as effective in making converts as deeds. Deeds speak louder than words. The claims of KOESH are perhaps no more startling than were those of the Christ in his day; yet, according to the Bible, in less than three years he had followers by the thousands, notwithstanding the fact that he had no such things as the modern mail system and printing-press with which to spread his gospel throughout the world.—Wm. B., Orange, Tex.

The Flaming Sword.

The multitudes followed Jesus previous to his martyrdom, because he cured their diseases free of charge, and supplied them with food. He had no large following during these years; to only a select few did he teach his radical doctrines, and he cautioned them not to reveal the fact that he was the Christ until he should rise from the dead. It was not His purpose to publicly promulgate his claims in plain terms, but only in such a way that those who were prepared to recognize might be enabled to do so. At the time of His crucifixion, his disciples were few—numbering little more than 500 persons. If Jesus had remained in the flesh, and had taught his doctrines by every possible means of publication of his doctrines, he would not have become the exalted character in humanity that he is today. He employed another factor, through which his system rapidly spread; it was not that of performing miracles, but that of projecting himself into his following!

In the winter of the world's discontent, one may look about him at the decay; the corrupt institutions of the world; the depravity of the human heart; at the stubble and the dead wood; at the mental deadness and moral rottenness, and ask, How are you going to make perfection out of all this stuff? What benefit will it be to gather up all this stuff and endeavor to construct from it a system of human society? Notwithstanding the fact that such a course would be the most obviously ridiculous thing to do, it is the method employed by all modern so called reformers. They cannot hope for success; and if one loses sight of *the great factor*, the secret of which is in the possession of the Koreshan Scientist, it is not surprising that the question as to how Koreshanity expects to become successful, is puzzling.

The secret of life is in the seed; the seed contains the potencies of life, and when planted in the soil may build up a new structure. Jesus sowed the seed of divine life in his following, and a vigorous church was the result; he was in it; he impelled the thousands and the millions, and moved them in harmony; he destroyed discord; he produced an organic body which has moved the world. What Jesus was to philosophy, Koresh is to science—that is, divine truth is now scientific. We are now preparing the soil; and the time is at hand when the scientific Head of the Koreshan System will become, through processes of theocrasis, the mighty power, the life-giving potency, the accelerating and irresistible force which will be felt throughout the world.

When the great consummation comes; when the revolution has thrown down all existing systems of evil and fallacy; when through revolution the world is prepared to receive the truth; when the immortal Men in the flesh walk the earth; when corresponding changes occur in the physical cosmos and astronomical phenomena, there will be no minds that will resist the flowing, swelling tide of life and truth which, as a great wave, will sweep the world!

There will be 144,000 immortal Sons of God; they will be members of the divine Brotherhood; but below them there will be all the grades of humanity in the commonwealth and the commonwealth of life; and during the ages of light to come, every man will reach the plane of his aspirations, and salvation from the curse will be universal. We are approaching the end; ages of progress have prepared the world for rapid acceleration when the signal is given, when the Messiah performs his functions, and his disciples their work of establishing the New Order.

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Public vs. Private Monopoly.

Use and Abuse of Public Utilities; Private Concerns Should not Conduct the Business of Nations!

Wrong always reacts upon the wrong doer. When the extortion of the railroad and the greed of the usurer have changed homes of independent farmers into quarters for poor tenants, they will have permanently destroyed or crippled their hope of future gains. Vastly less of merchandise, machinery, stock, everything that a well-to-do people consumes in vast quantities, and that constitutes the security of the usurer, will be required in the country. Shallow political economists will cry "overproduction," and want more "protection against the pauper labor of Europe."

Editors of so called religious papers, who know something about religion of some kind, but nothing about the causes that produce economic effects; college presidents and officers and boards of trust, who are holding out their hands for donations to the men who are rich and increased in goods from the proceeds of monopoly in its various forms, whether of money, transportation, corn or cotton, coal or oil, or the thousand things men corner for gain; doctors of divinity and ministers, often themselves educated by the so called charity of men who have grown rich by plundering under the forms of law, who now seek to compound the matter with conscience by donating a part of their pelf to educate men to teach that their practices are right and consistent with love to God and man, all these—in addition to the secular press and secular teachers of every kind, with some noble exceptions, who seldom or never have any-

thing to say against the man who takes usury, however much he takes advantage of the necessities of his victim, who may be by profession his brother Christian—censure and reproach the man who, after struggling for years, falls under his burden of debt, that is always growing by usury.

One would think from their talk that it was all right for men to lend money, but very wrong for others to borrow, unless they were rich enough not to need to do so at all. If it is wrong for poor people to borrow, it must be wrong for rich people to lend to them. If poor people did not borrow, the occupation of the usurer would speedily come to an end.

But we are told that railroad stocks are owned as investments by a large number of poor people, and often constitute the entire means of support of people who would otherwise be helpless. These are the "gnats" that the big spiders prey upon by the way of express or fast freight lines, sleeping-car companies, dining-car companies, and other rings composed of large stockholders and high officials who absorb the lion's share of a road's earnings, and deceive the public as to the real extent of the extortion practised upon them. In the end, such investors, instead of being benefited, are usually skinned out of the whole or a large part of their money invested.

While riding on the cars in the state of Iowa, I was obliged to listen to the conversation of a prominent railroad man and high bank official, who described in glowing terms the way the banks, including his own, by means of similar inner rings of the principal officers, organized into a loan and trust company, whose officers, being also the bank officers, borrowed most of the bank's money of themselves at a low rate of interest and re-lent it to the dear public at a very high rate of interest, thus fleecing both the bank and the poor people who were stockholders, and the people who had to borrow. The bank reports showed that their rate of interest was reasonable, and the dividends to ordinary stockholders did not seem large, and *quid nuncs* who never see below the surface, could say banks are very reasonable in their charges and cannot be, as fanatics charge, great means of oppression; but the poor people who were unmercifully skinned seldom are heard in the ordinary papers, and their sufferings pass unnoticed and unknown by the mass of men.

Railroads, telegraphs, and telephones are not like ordinary private property, but are in their very nature public interests. No owner of other private property can have other men's property or that which belongs to the public, condemned and take it for its own use. A public highway is opened, and private property taken for it on the ground that it belongs to the public at large and on no other ground, and yet land belonging to a private owner is taken for a railroad, and its owner is informed that the railroad is

exclusively a private road, although it may damage his property far more than the public highway that generally runs on government lines.

By private and corporate donations to build them, and subsidies and land grants from government, they have cost the country one way or another probably about as much as their present value. In steals of one kind and another the public is made to pay for them over again every few years, and yet they are exclusively owned by private companies. They buy legislatures, choose governors and judges, manage parties by means of political lawyers heavily salaried for that purpose, and scoff at justice.

If government is under obligation to protect the property interests of its subjects, and in some cases even their lives, it cannot long choose but own the railroads and telegraph and telephone lines; control in any other way is impossible. As in the case of a post-office, government can mete out equal and exact justice to all without which it fails entirely to perform its proper functions.

Some of the more obvious benefits of government control are:

1. Freedom from the loss and danger to the public and to the employee, of strikes.

2. Freedom from the great inconvenience and cost of transfers from one road to another.

3. Greatly lessened expense for heavily salaried officers for so many different roads. Often these salaries are far higher than the salary of any government officer except the President of the United States.

4. Exemption from the loss and trouble of roads in bankruptcy.

5. If rightly managed, freedom from the load of usury that breaks down first the roads and then their patrons.

6. Exemption from the moral corruption and material loss of stock-watering, railroad-wrecking, and the deadly influence of the vast fortunes thus obtained.

7. Freedom from unjust discriminations that are fast increasing the numbers of the very rich and the very poor.

8. Freedom from the deadly example of a power in the state that is above the state, and that defies its laws and tramples them under its feet.

To be free from all these, the state and the citizens could afford to pay even more than the present high rates of transportation, but, in all probability would not have to pay more than half so much.—From "National Suicide," by Prof. O. F. L'Amoreaux.

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Excessive Cost and Waste.

Gotham's Enormous Tax Budget Amounts to One Fourth Entire Annual Cost of the British Empire!

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It is a quarter as great as the cost of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, including its army, its gigantic navy, and the interest on its debt; and the United Kingdom's population is in the neighborhood of 40,000,000. France's burden of taxation is crushing that wealthy nation of 40,000,000 of inhabitants, with its great army and navy, and the interest on its colossal debt—the largest that any country in the world carries—yet New York City's government costs a sixth as much as that of France.

The expenditure of the government of the United States in 1860, when the country's population was 31,000,000, was \$63,000,000, or not very much more than half of the yearly cost of the support of the government of New York City at the present time. The cost of the United State's government in the present year, when the country's population is in excess of 76,000,000, will be but little more than five times as great as that of the city of New York, although the United States at this moment is supporting an army of 100,000 men, is building a big navy, has just been engaged in a war in China, and has been participating in one in the Philippines for almost two years.

This one hundred million dollars represents the earnings of a quarter of a million wage-workers for a year. At five dollars per week for each individual it would keep nearly 400,000 persons a year, and the average cost of living in this country is considerably less than five dollars per

Koresh at Washington.

DR. CYRUS R. TEED left Chicago Dec. 20, on a tour of promulgation of Koreshanity; and may be addressed at Washington, D. C. (General Delivery) until further notice.

week for each person. The value of the gold and silver produced in this country in 1890 was but \$99,000,000; of anthracite coal but \$66,000,000, and of iron-ore but \$33,251,000. The taxes of the people of New York City are greater per year than the value of the country's production of gold and silver, one third more than the value of the entire amount of anthracite coal, and three times as great as the value of the iron-ore mined in the country in 1890.

One hundred million dollars! This is in excess of five times the cost of carrying on the government of the imperial state of New York, with a population considerably more than 7,000,000. Excluding the State's income from indirect taxation, it is ten times as great as the commonwealth's tax levy for the present year. The state maintains 638 miles of canals, numerous normal schools, charitable institutions, asylums for the insane and other wards of the community, reformatory, prisons, courts, and also bears a large share of the cost of the national guard. All these items, as well as a considerable percentage of the cost of public schools, improving roads, abolishing grade-crossings, together with the entire expense of carrying on all departments of the State government, are met by a tax-levy not one tenth as large as that of the city of New York, with a population of less than 4,000,000.

Enormous as is this one hundred million dollars that is to be raised by direct taxation, it does not represent the cost of gov-

ernment by Richard Croker for one year. The departments of water-supply and of docks and ferries are supported by their own revenues. The city has other income—not, because of official remissness, as much as it might have—from franchises, rent of markets, and other property, permits, and from a variety of other sources.—EDWARD ERSKINE, in *Leslie's Weekly*.

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The Koreshan Astronomy.

An English Astrological Publication Notices our Challenge to Editors and Outlines the System.

THE FLAMING SWORD offers \$1,000 reward to the editor of any journal that will publish a scientific refutation of the Koreshan Cosmogony, or, what would be its equivalent, a single fact in demonstration of the theory that the Earth is convex, and that we live on its exterior surface, or in support of any other theory of the shape of the world than the universe as a cell with its habitable surface concave. That journal utters this as a basis of its System of Cosmogony:

There is nothing outside of the earth. The planets are mercurial discs passing between the metallic strata of the earth's shell. We see their reflection in the physical heavens; these reflections are the planets that the astronomers talk about. The sun is in the center of the earth, the positive pole of the great galvanic magnetic battery. We see its projection on the upper stratum of our atmosphere, about 1,000 miles distant at noon time.

We make the examination of the thickness of the earth's shell from the known ratios of specific gravity of the substances of which the shell is composed. We know the specific gravity of hydrogen, of the atmosphere, of water, and of each of the primary geologic, mineral, and metallic strata. Having a knowledge of the depth and weight of the atmosphere, the amount of water in the earth, and such like data, we establish a relation of ratios, from which we compute the thickness of each stratum of the shell—the aggregate about 100 miles.

The projected sun moves in a spiral, covering a belt of 47° in the heavens above us. The light from the projection covers one-half of the concave surface. On June 21, the hemisphere of light reaches 23½° above the north pole, and on December 21, 23½° beyond the south pole; the long days of the poles and change of season is thus obtained.

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The World's News.

Dec. 12.—Celebration of centennial anniversary of removal of capital of U. S. to Washington City.—Chicago German-Americans raise \$17,500 for poor at charity ball.—Congress orders inquiry into West Point hazing case.—Ship subsidy bill meets with stubborn opposition.—Congress anticipates reduction of war tax.—Irishmen in convention at Dublin

denounce English war policy.—Holland government refuses to take the initiative in aid of the Boers.—Dec. 13.—British flag removed from centennial decorations in House of Representatives, Washington.—Germany and Great Britain block the way to peace terms in China.—It is reported that Germany insolence in China threatens to incite new massacres by the Boxers.—American Federation of Labor in session at Chicago.—Wall street buoyant.—Dec. 14.—Burglars rampant in Chicago.—Bandits blow up an express car at Chicago.—Student at Northwestern University brutally "hazed" by fellow students.—Senate votes to amend Hay-Pauncefote canal bill.—Dreyfus case discussed in French senate.—British meet with Boer resistance in the Transvaal.—Dec. 15.—Storm and cloud-burst wreck buildings in California.—2,000 idle men return to work at Illinois steel mills.—British arms in the Transvaal suffer severe blow in defeat of Gen. Clements's forces by Boers under Gen. Delarey.—Taft commission has orders to limit number of saloons in Manila.—Dec. 16.—Grand jury moves to investigate Chicago city hall scandals.—English forces in Pretoria fear recapture of the city by the Boers.—Bryan announces his plan to edit and publish *The Commoner*, at Lincoln, Neb.—Board of regents of university of California accepts the Hearst plan for buildings.—Powers protest against looting of Pekin by the Germans.—Boer victories anger the English.—Dec. 17.—\$500,000 fire in Cleveland.—German steamer wrecked off Malaga; score of persons drowned.—Civilized mob lynches two Negroes at Rockport, Ind.—Hay-Pauncefote treaty is worded to suit England!—Severe earthquake reported at Santiago, Cuba.—Dr. Joseph Parker, London, imitates Sheldon on Christian daily.—Gen. Brabant's forces (English) attacked by Boers, and 120 surrender to burghers.—Women of Eldorado, Kansas, threaten to lynch a murderer.—Dec. 18.—Rockport, (Ind.) mob lynches another Negro; men unmasked; no opposition by officers; the crime countenanced by citizens of town and county.—U. S. Supreme Court discussing status of American colonies.—England arranges to accept and ratify Hay-Pauncefote treaty, but many secure right of Panama route.—Railroad officials want pooling legalized!

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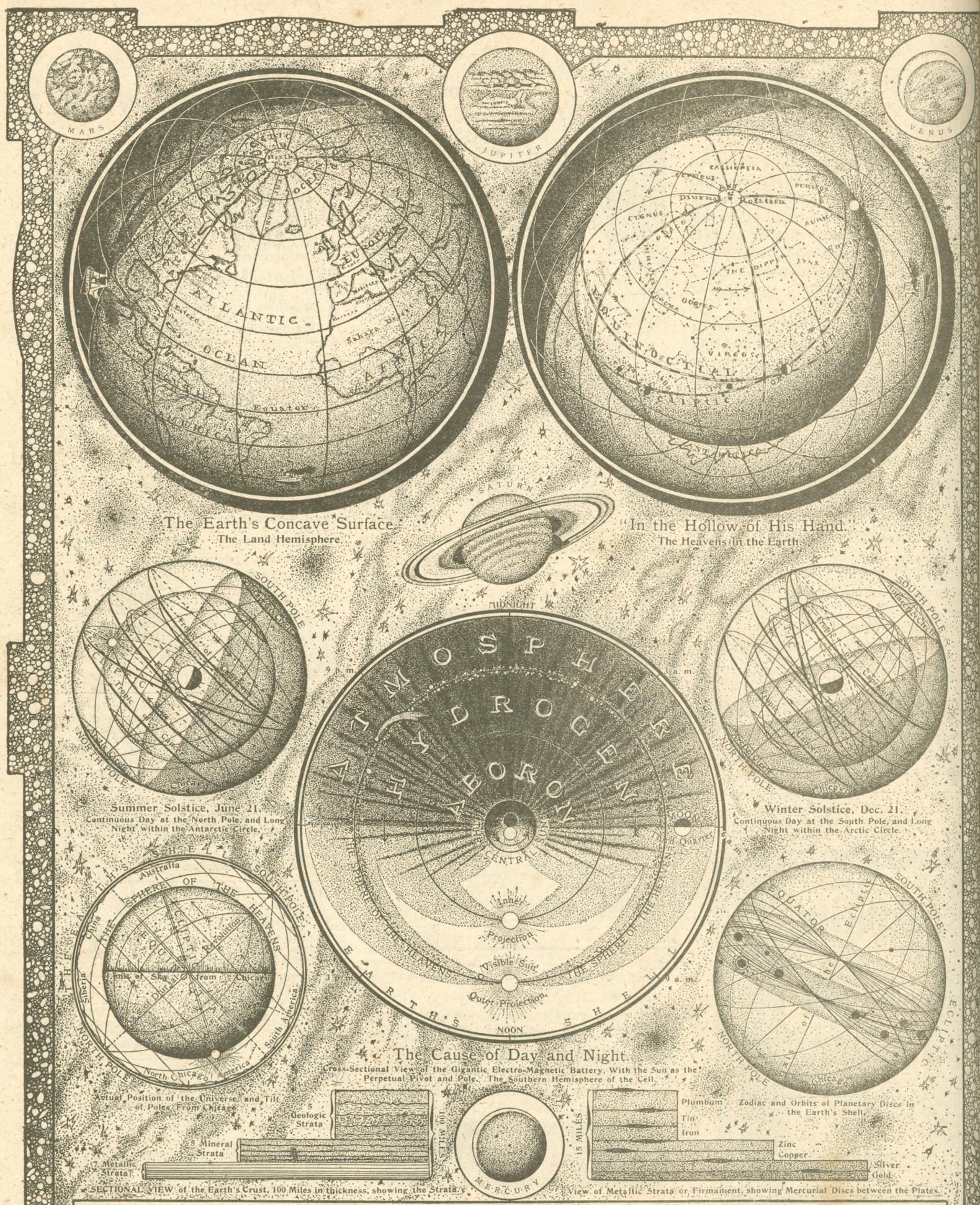
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